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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

10 (amended). A method for producing [the] <u>a</u> protein, peptide or analog[s according to claim 6] which is a modulator of the expression, proteolytic processing, bioactivity or intracellular signaling of the 26 kDa cell-surface-bound form of TNF (26kDa TNF), comprising growing the transformed host cells according to claim 9 under conditions suitable for the expression of said protein, peptide or analog[s] as necessary for the obtention thereof and extracting said expressed protein, peptide